Telephone Advisory Committee in Goa

247. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there exists no Telephone Advisory Committee in Goa, in absence of which frauds, malpractices are rampant;

(b) by when they would reconstitute this Telephone Advisory Committee; and

(c) the number of such Telephone Advisory Committees which are yet to be reconstituted all over the country?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir. However, no reports of frauds and malpractices being rampant have come to the notice of the Government.

(b) and (c) The policy on constitution of Telecom Advisory Committee is being reviewed. These committees will be constituted after the Policy is finalised.

New telephone conections for NOIDA subscribers connected with electronic exchange

248. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the new telephones to be given to NOIDA subscribers are to be connected with the electronic exchange;

(b) if so, when the electronic exchange was set up in NOIDA;

(c) the number of new and old telephones connected with the electronic exchange from January, 1989 to December, 1989 and what is the number of new telephones given in 1989 which have not been connected with this exchange;

(d) the basis on which old telephones were connected with the electronic exchange in preference to new connections;

(e) what are the reasons for not connecting the new phones given in 1989 with the electronic exchange when it is capable of taking the load;

(f) whether there is a general complaint of the telephones connected with the Non-electronic exchange remaining out-of-order and the subscribers have to pay for almost five calls to get a number; and

(g) whether Government propose to connect the remaining phones given in 1980 with the electronic exchange; if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Electronic Exchange was set up on 30-3-88 and was expanded by 1000 lines in Feb., 1989.

(c) (i) The number of telephones connected from Jan. 89 to Dec. 89 from Electronic Exchange are 732.

(ii) The number of old telephones connected with electronic exchange during Jan., 89 to Dec., 89 are 345.

(iii) Number of new telephones given in 1989 which have not been connected with this electronic exchange are 288.